



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Applicant: Chris Lacombe, et. al

Serial No.: 10/734,453

Art Unit: 3644

Filed: December 12, 2003

Examiner: Bret C. Hayes

For: "APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR BLAST SUPPRESSION"

**RESPONSE TO SECOND OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Examiner Hayes:

This is a response to the Second Office Action dated May 20, 2005. A shortened statutory period for response is set to expire three (3) months from the date of said Office Action. An extension of time for filing a response is hereby requested pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a), and a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) together with applicable fee are enclosed herewith. This response is made on Monday, November 21, 2005 by Certificate of Mailing Procedure provided in 37 CFR 1.8, and is therefore timely (November 20<sup>th</sup> being a Sunday).

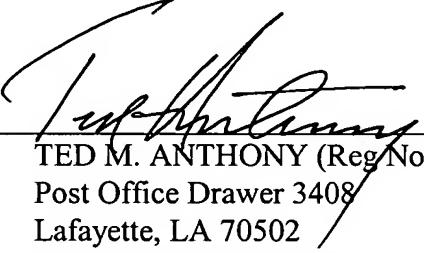
Applicant has on this date filed a continuation application which relates to the above referenced patent application. This extension of time is being filed to ensure co-pendency of the instant (parent) application with the aforementioned continuation-in-part application. Applicant intends to allow the parent application to become abandoned in due course.

The Examiner is respectfully invited to contact Applicant's representative, Ted M. Anthony, by telephone at (337) 262-9000 or facsimile at (337) 262-9001, if the Examiner has any questions concerning the subject application or this response.

Respectfully submitted:

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